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DATE: October 17, 2008

TO: All Local Health Departments
Environmental Health Specialists

FROM: Mike Mettler, Director *mjm*
Environmental Public Health Division

SUBJECT: **Environmental Health Specialist Orientation**

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) is pleased to announce a training opportunity for new Environmental Health Specialists (EHS) at the local level, and other EHS who wish to attend. The purpose of the orientation training is to provide the new EHS information about ISDH, Indiana Board of Animal Health, Indiana Department of Environmental Management, Indiana Department of Homeland Security, and other regulatory programs. The training will be conducted for two and one-half days to cover these topics.

The EHS Orientation begins Tuesday, December 2nd with registration at 9:30 am in Rice Auditorium at ISDH. The third day adjourns at 11:45 pm. Upon completion of the orientation training, certificates will be issued to participants who have attended the entire program. Topics to be covered include:

- Residential and commercial septic systems
- Vector control
- Swimming pools
- Mobile home parks
- Indoor air
- Lead
- Fluoride
- Weights and measures
- Communicable disease
- Retail foods, wholesale foods, and food complaints and samples
- Food defense
- Standardization and training of food specialists
- Laboratory support
- Hospital and nursing home regulations
- Indiana Board of Animal Health
- Indiana Department of Environmental Management
- Indiana Department of Homeland Security

Pre-registration is required to ensure adequate materials are available. If you or any of your staff are interested in attending, please complete the enclosed registration form and return to this office no later than November 21, 2008.

2008
Environmental Health Specialist
Orientation

December 2 to December 4, 2008
Rice Auditorium, Indiana State Department of Health

	Orientation		Orientation
Dec. 2nd	9:00-9:30 Registration	Dec. 3rd	9:00-4:00 Program
	9:30-4:30 Program	Dec. 4th	9:00-11:30 Program

Health Department: _____

Phone Number: _____

NAME: (please print)

POSITION:

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Days of attending: _____

Please return form to: Angela Blackwell, ISDH, 2 North Meridian St. Section 5C, Indianapolis, IN 46204 or fax (317) 233-7334 or email: ablackwell@isdh.in.gov

Deadline: November 21, 2008

Questions: Please contact:

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**ORIENTATION FOR
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS**
RICE AUDITORIUM – December 2, 2008 to December 4, 2008

**TUESDAY
December 2, 2008**

Moderator		Sharon Farrell
9:00 – 9:30	REGISTRATION	
9:30	Welcome	Loren Robertson
	Introduction of Attendees	Mike Mettler
9:45	Food Protection Updates	Scott Gilliam
10:15	Wholesale Foods	George Jones
10:45	Break	
11:00	Fluoridation	Kent Smith, DDS Dan Cain
11:30	Retail Foods, Standardization, Plan Review	Sharon Farrell
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch (On your own)	
1:00	Communicable Disease	Pam Pontones
1:30	Field Epidemiology	Tom Duszynski
2:00	Foodborne Disease	Amie ThurdeKoos
2:30	Break	
2:45	Food Defense	Andrew Miller
3:15	Acute Care	Albert Daeger
4:00	IN Department of Homeland Security	Joe Romero
4:30	Adjourn	

**WEDNESDAY
December 3, 2008**

Moderator		Dave Ortel
9:00	Indoor Air, Radon, & Mold	Ron Clark
9:45	Board of Animal Health	Denise Derrer
10:15	LHD Perspective	John Bonsett
10:45	Break	
11:00	Vector Control	Mike Sinsko
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch (On your own)	

1:00	Swimming Pools, Campgrounds, and Mobile Home Parks	Mike Mettler
1:30	Onsite Sewage Systems	Alan Dunn
2:30	Class Photograph	
2:45	Break	
3:00	Overview – Laboratory Support	
	Microbiology	Tom Cronau
3:30	Chemistry/Water Samples	Robin Bruner
4:00	Adjourn	

**Thursday
December 4, 2008**

Moderator		Dave Ortel
9:00	Lead & Healthy Homes Program	David McCormick
9:30	Weights & Measures	Larry Stump
10:00	Indiana Department of Environmental Management	Michael Aylesworth
10:45	Break	
11:00	Complaints and Samples	Dan Gala
11:30	Issues Certificates	